NEW PROFESSORS FOR UNIVERSITY IN 1977

The Vice-Chancellor of the University of Newcastle, Professor D.W. George, has announced the appointment of two further Professors to the University. Dr D.L. Frost will take up duty in January, 1977 as Professor of English in the Faculty of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy of the University of Newcastle, and holds the degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy of that University. From 1965-66 he was a Lecturer in English at St John's College, Cambridge University, and has supervised the degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy at that University. From 1969, he has been a member of the University of Newcastle. Dr Frost's academic interests lie chiefly in Renaissance literature and in literary translations. Since January 1969, he has been a member of the Church of England Liturgical Commission in the United Kingdom. Dr Frost, who is 37 years of age, is married and has three children.

Dr J.K. Winsen will take up duty in the middle of 1977 as Professor of Commerce in the Faculty of Economics and Commerce. Dr Winsen is a graduate of the University of Newcastle, having obtained his Bachelor of Commerce degree with First Class Honours in 1968 and his Master of Commerce degree in 1971. In March, 1973 he was awarded the degree of Master of Arts from the Ohio State University and in December of the same year Doctorate of Philosophy for his dissertation research on "Investor Behaviour, Stock Market Efficiency and Publicly Available Information". Before moving to the U.S.A. he held a position of Senior Tutor in Accounting at Newcastle University (1970) and since 1973 he has been Assistant Professor of Business Administration at the University of California, Berkeley, U.S.A.

NEW SECRETARY OF CONVOCATION

Katalin Heiner, a BCom graduate of the University, is the new Secretary of Convocation. An accountant with the Newcastle firm, J.V.P. Daniel and Son, Ms Heiner was elected Secretary by Standing Committee of Convocation on December 1. She succeeds Mr W.G. Jones, a Lecturer in Education at Newcastle College of Advanced Education, who leaves for the U.K. soon to study for a PhD at the Open University.

BRINGING DOWN THE CURTAIN

This is the last issue of University News for 1976. The News is printed fortnightly during the year. It is a valuable instrument of communication on the campus, keeping members of staff and students informed about events and affairs. The next will be the first for the new year, 1977. It will appear on February 24.

Holiday arrangements on the campus over the long vacation are as follows:

- The Library will close on Friday, December 24, prior to Christmas and reopen on Wednesday, January 4, after the New Year.
- The Union will close on Christmas Eve, December 24, and reopen on January 4. During the long vacation the building itself will be open from 9 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. on weekdays. The Common Room will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the cafeteria from noon to 1.30 p.m. for normal meals and 4.30 to 5.30 p.m. for fast foods, the Lounge Bar from noon to 2 p.m. and the Shop from 9 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.

The Credit Union Office will close on Friday, December 24 and reopen on Tuesday, January 4, 1977.

SMOOTH RECOVERY

The behaviour of students at the Recovery Ball in the Union on November 25 was good and the amount of damage done was negligible. The Secretary-Manager of the Union (Mr V. Bridgwater) stated this. He said he was pleased with the attendance (more than 700 people) and with the high standard and the variety of the programme, which had been arranged by Mr John Burne.

TO OUR READERS

Merry Christmas and Best Wishes for A Happy New Year
NEW CHAIRMAN
FOR AVCC

Emeritus Professor Sir Zelman Cowen, who will be Chairman of the Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee in 1977 and 1978, is a graduate of the Universities of Melbourne and Oxford. He was Rhodes Scholar for Victoria for 1941 and was Vinerian Scholar at Oxford in 1947.

Sir Zelman has held academic appointments in Oxford, Melbourne, Chicago, Harvard and a number of other American Universities and was appointed to his present post of Vice-Chancellor of the University of Queensland in 1970. He served in the R.A.N. during the Second World War. He is a member of the English; Victorian and Queensland bars and is a Queen's Counsel. He is a member of the Australian Law Reform Commission, President of the Australian Institute of Urban Studies, a member of the Board of the Australian Opera and Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Utah Foundation.

He is a Fellow of the Academy of Social Sciences in Australia and a Fellow of the Australian College of Education. He is also a Foreign Honorary Member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He has published extensively, particularly in the field of Law.

Sir Zelman will succeed Professor David Derham, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Melbourne, as Chairman of the AVCC.

The Deputy Chairman of the Committee in 1977 will be Professor R.H. Myers, Vice-Chancellor of the University of New South Wales.

SENATE NOTES

Senate noted that Professor Ken Dutton was present as Deputy Chairman for the last time (his term of office will expire on December 31). The Vice-Chancellor thanked Professor Dutton for a remarkably successful term and members of Senate endorsed the comments with acclamation.

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The Vice-Chancellor is to write to the Minister for Education to learn whether or not the New South Wales Higher School Certificate Examination will be phased out. The University Council had suggested that this information be sought from the Board of Senior School Studies, but Standing Committee of Senate considered that the Minister was the person best able to advise. If no statement is forthcoming from the Minister, Senate will again ask the Council to request the Minister to take action leading to the phasing out of the Higher School Certificate in its present form until he is convinced that there is a substantial informed demand from the general public for such action.

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Senate considered the Council's request for advice regarding the question of rationalisation of facilities for higher education in the Newcastle Region. The N.S.W. Higher Education Board had informed the Council that at an appropriate time it would wish to enter into consultation with the Council and the Council of Newcastle C.A.E. and work closely with these bodies in effecting the most appropriate rationalisation of resources for higher education in the Newcastle Region. Senate established a committee under the chairmanship of the incoming Deputy Chairman, Professor R.G. Keats, to consider the request and prepare advice.

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Professors J.A. Campbell, S.W. White, R.A. Antonia, J.F. Burrows and C.A. Tisdell were elected to the Academic Committee of Senate.

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Professor M.P. Carter is to be Chairman of a Committee of Senate to prepare the university's submission for the Commonwealth Committee of Inquiry into Education and Training. The University Council had asked Senate to prepare a submission after the Minister for Education announced that the Commonwealth Committee would direct its attention particularly to post-secondary education because of the significant number of people who entered the labour market at the end of their 10th year of schooling.

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Council had drawn Senate's attention to another request for submissions - from the Committee of Inquiry into the CSIRO - and Professor C.D. Ellyett agreed to prepare a statement on the matter.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir,

Having long had dealings with wooden, emotionless academics concerned with building and protecting their own empires, it was in some ways a refreshing change to see the outburst of bitter emotion that marked the end of last month's meeting of Senate and provided the main topic of conversation for their end-of-year party that followed. It did surprise me however, that a tongue-in-cheek reply should have produced the exact opposite of the light end-of-year touch we expected.

Was that because the worthy Senators felt threatened by the motion moved by the student members requesting information on the types of assessment techniques used in different departments?

Was it because the worthy Senators felt the business of Senate was keeping them from good drinking time?

Was it because they were horrified by the wording of our paper which was made up largely of selected phrases and quotations from their own motions and papers?

Was it because Professor George White likes to see everything finish off with a big bang?

Whatever the motivation may have been for Senate to apply the gag and defeat a simple request for information on a subject as central as assessment techniques, without allowing any discussion, it shows there is still some very human unpredictability in the old grey bureaucracy yet.

Leo Walsh, Student Member of Senate.
COMMUNITY INCLUDED IN DISCUSSIONS ON MEDICINE FACULTY

A joint committee of community and Faculty of Medicine representatives has commenced drawing up the criteria for the selection of students for admission to the Faculty of Medicine.

The Faculty has broken new ground in Australia by asking community representatives to participate in consultations regarding the forming of a student admission policy.

The community representatives on the committee are: Alderman J. Cummings, Mrs J. McCarthy, the senior social worker at Royal Newcastle Hospital, Mr J. Comerford, a former Northern President of the Miners' Federation, Mr A. Young, a member of Newcastle Chamber of Commerce, Dr M.P.A. Kirton and Dr C. Messmer.

Faculty of Medicine members are the Dean of the Faculty, Professor D.C. Maddison, the Associate Professor of Medical Education, Professor C.E. Engel, Professor Vinson, Professor S. White, Professor of Human Physiology, Professor R. Clarke, Professor of Anatomy, Professor S. Leader, Professor of Community Medicine, Professor G.M. Kellerman, Professor of Medical Biochemistry, Professor T. Morgan, Professor of Medicine and Mr J. Birch, Faculty Secretary.

Professor Tony Vinson, Professor of Behavioural Sciences is Chairman of the Admission Policy Committee. The inaugural meeting took place at the University on December 8. It is proposed to hold further meetings in the new year and to make solid recommendations to the University around March or April.

Essentially the Policy Admission Committee will consider such factors as academic achievement, intelligence, personality, health, place of residence, socio-economic background, sex and ethnicity.

SUCCESSFUL NIGHT FOR BIOLOGY SOCIETY

On December 1, Third Year students in Biological Sciences held a Biology Society Dinner Dance at the Waratahs Rugby Club, Waratah. Nearly all staff members of the Department of Biological Sciences attended. The night was described by guests as "really great", "very successful" and "very enjoyable".

UNIVERSITY WILL GAIN FROM CARDS

The University will be better publicised in future as a result of a step taken by Convocation.

A series of coloured photos of the campus and its main buildings has been taken and the best scenes are being reproduced on postcards and greetings cards.

The scenes which have been reproduced so far are pictured. The Great Hall photo has also been used on a set of Christmas Cards.

Prices: for the postcards 15 cents each, for the greetings and Christmas Cards (with envelopes) 25 cents.

The Union Shop has a plentiful stock.

ORIENTATION AND ALTERNATIVE HANDBOOKS

Though the publicised deadline has passed, it may still be possible to have your late contributions published if you get it up to Leo Walsh at the SRC Office this week. How do you expect new first year students to understand this institution if you don't put that enlightening/half-baked/subversive/interesting/excellent idea down in print as an article for them to read?

ALSO ... Can you help us by supplying photography of the University and its denizens that we might be able to use? We need to sell advertising space to help recoup some of the costs for this service. Perhaps your business (or a friend) would benefit from being known to students - especially if you are prepared to grant a student discount. Our rates are quite cheap. Ring the SRC Office on 68 1281 or Ext. 329 and ask for Leo Walsh for further information.
EDWARDS HALL CHOSEN FOR WORKSHOP

Workshops investigating community research techniques and recent and current projects on the North Coast of N.S.W. will be conducted at Edwards Hall on February 18 and 19 next year.

The workshop on community research techniques has been designed to provide information about community resources and deficiencies, and one of these methods can be especially useful to concerned bodies and individuals providing factually-supported submissions or social welfare initiatives.

The speakers will include Dr Ron Wild, Senior Lecturer in Anthropology, University of Sydney. Mr Ian Vacchini, Inspector of Schools, Dr Jim Miles, Senior Lecturer in Education, Newcastle College of Advanced Education, and Professor John Blagg, Dean of the Faculty of Education of this University.

The other workshop will give people the opportunity to get together in a relatively informal way, to talk with each other about recent and current research projects on the North Coast of New South Wales (Hunter Region and parts North). Information about the workshops can be obtained from the Department of Community Programmes.

NATIONAL CATHOLIC STUDENTS' CONFERENCE

The University of Newcastle Catholic Association is to play host to the Annual National Conference of the Tertiary Catholic Federation of Australia at Morpeth on January 8 - 12.

About 200 students and chaplains are expected to attend the conference which will examine "The Meaning of the Assembly", or what it means to be a committed Christian in the Australian context.

Speakers and workshops will cover such areas as "The Cost of Discipleship", "The Church in the Third World", "Development and Justice", "The Psychology of Religion", and the special problems of women, aborigines, students, and the poor in their social setting.

For further information contact Leo Walsh, the National Convenor of T.C.F.A., in the SRC Office.

FOUNDATION PATROLMAN

Mr John Tempe Vile, who has been an Attendant/Patrol since shortly after the first university buildings were occupied, will retire on January 24 next year, aged 65.

Mr Vile became one of the university fraternity in February, 1966. The Arts and Administration building had been completed and Union buildings were nearing completion.

At this time the Library was located in the Arts and Administration building, the western ring road terminated at the Physics building and access to the sports field was on a gravel track.

Mr Vile revealed that he was the last of the original Attendants/Patrol. In 1956, Mr Bob Mead, called the Chief Steward, was in charge and Mr Vile's colleagues were Mr R. Rostron and Mr W. Holland.

Mr Vile moved to Newcastle from Cessnock in 1955. Previously he was a mine worker at Abermain No. 2. He was determined to leave the Coalfields because of the frequent strikes.

John Vile was born at Cessnock. His first job was grape-picking at Pokolbin for 8/4d per 100 buckets. (Today grape-pickers receive at least $3 an hour). He was attached to the old department store, Marcus Clark's, before joining the university.

John has three children - a son who is Editor of the Fiji Times, a daughter and a son. His wife, Jessie, is well-remembered from the Staff House where she worked for a few years.

He said he had always been happy to work at the University which has grown very considerably during his period of service. His section had expanded from four staff members to a Senior Attendant/Patrol and 10 Attendants/Patrol.

IMMUNOLOGY WORKSHOP

PROPOSED FOR UNIVERSITY

The Department of Biological Sciences has announced that it is making arrangements for a Workshop on Immunology in Human Reproduction to be held at the university.

The workshop will be held following the Third International Congress of Immunology in Sydney next July. Several eminent immunologists from overseas are expected to travel from the Congress to Newcastle to feature results of studies performed on sera deposited in the World Health Organization Antispermatozoal Serum Bank, in the Institute of Medical Microbiology, University of Aarhus, Denmark. There will also be opportunities for papers relevant to the studies of other sera and activities, to be submitted including cellular immunity, not related to the above sera, and time and facilities will be available for practical demonstrations or for the performance of practical tests by participants.

SCHOOL FOR DRAMA ENTHUSIASTS

A practical drama school will be held in the Griffith Duncan Theatre at Newcastle College of Advanced Education from January 24 to 28.

A non-residential school, it will provide an opportunity for theatre enthusiasts and drama students to spend a week in concentrated workshop activity under the guidance of expert theatre people.

The morning sessions (9.30 to 12.30) will be conducted by Margie Wright, who will deal with stage management.

The method will be to use an actual production; Terence Clarke will direct and rehearse a short play with members of the group, treating problems of direction as they occur.

Everybody will be expected to be involved as an actor, director or critic. Margie Wright will use the production as a focal point for instruction on stage management.

The enrolment fee is $22. The school will be conducted by the Department of Community Programmes.
THE INSTITUTE OF INDUSTRIAL ECONOMICS

In April 1976 the University Council established an Institute of Industrial Economics, the first research institute in the University.

Among its aims and objectives is the undertaking of contract research, provision of consultant services in the area of industrial economics and the conducting of research into the economic problems of Australian secondary and tertiary industry.

The Institute is endeavouring to build upon the existing research activities of the University, in particular the Department of Economics, which has grown considerably from eight full-time academic staff in 1966 to the current establishment of 25 and two chairs.

The Department has, for some years, specialised its research in the area of industrial economics and is carrying out a number of major projects connected with Australian industry and commerce.

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Next year it will stage a convention to bring together top decision-makers in industry and Government to discuss the future of Australian manufacturing in the light of economic trades here and overseas.

The first meeting of the Institute was held on July 30 and Sir Bede Callaghan, formerly Managing Director of the Commonwealth Banking Corporation, was elected Chairman.

The Board is able to elect three more members and it is expected that they will be derived from industry and commerce.

The Institute has recently called upon members of the University staff - mathematicians, engineers, sociologists, lawyers, geographers - who have experience and qualifications in many disciplines.

Some staff members who will be working for the Institute are experienced as advisers or consultants to industry and Government. Among research projects they have undertaken are ones for the Industries Assistance Commission, the Department of Industry and Commerce, the Prices Justification Tribunal, the Trade Practices Commission and other organisations.

The Institute undertook its first public venture on October 28 - a one-day seminar at the University dealing with the economic prospects of small businesses.

It expects to finance its activities largely from research grants. The first grant is $6,500, paid by the Reserve Bank to Professor Johns, Neil Dickson and John Bowers to support their investigations into the vulnerability of Australian manufacturing industries and firms, with particular reference to the 1974/76 recession. The University itself is providing general support and assistance. For example, the Vice-Chancellor provided $2,500 from general university funds as a setting up grant.

Professor Johns, the Institute's Foundation Director, was appointed by the Vice-Chancellor. He stated that the Institute was trying to forge strong links with outside business firms and Government bodies in order to be able to undertake contract research projects. The Board of the Institute is required to report to the University's Senate once a year.

DUTCH ACADEMIC VISITS CAMPUS

The Medical Faculty of the University of Newcastle was honoured last month by the visit of Professor Boettcher (Professor B. Boettcher) of the University of Rotterdam, Netherlands.

Professor van der Lugt, Dean of Education, Faculty of Medicine of Rotterdam, Netherlands, paid a short visit to Australia to attend a conference on Epilepsy in Adelaide and spent most of his limited spare time on a visit to our University.

The Professor said that he was "most enthusiastic about the plans to introduce an integrated, problem-based curriculum, which will have so many opportunities for contact with the local community".

This visit is yet another proof of the interest of the rest of the world in our work and ideas on medical education.

Ross Hyne, a PhD student in Biological Sciences, is the author of an article which has appeared in Contraception, an international journal.

In a letter to colleagues in the Department of Biological Sciences, the Head of the Department (Professor B. Boettcher) states: "This is a milestone for Ross, and also for our Department - the first student publication in an international journal. Publication by a PhD student is not all that common".

The article is titled: 'The Selective Binding of Steroids by Human Spermatozoa'.

UNIVERSITY CHOSES MEDAL WINNERS

Five students have won the University's highest Bachelor's award, the University Medal. They are:

Mr R.J. Stancliffe, who has been awarded a University Medal in Psychology.

Mr Ng Kee Seng, Mechanical Engineering.

Mr Ong Lam Hoo, Industrial Engineering.

Mr P.J. Tranter, Geography, and Miss A. McLeod, French.
The Venerable Gentlemen, the staff cricket team, has won its last six games, giving the team a potential that some supporters had believed it had lost. The team's old stalwarts are pleased to see a return of the good fortunes of days gone by when members of the team were young. When members of the team were venerable Gentlemen, which include players and part to old players whose form is going. The stalwarts worked hard to reorganise the team to play this season. They feel that the old traditions of The Venerable Gentlemen, which include playing for fun, are being maintained by the young players and are hopeful that they will keep the "institution" going for several years.

On December 11 the Venerables scores 201 runs, with six wickets in hand, to defeat Newcastle City which scored 165 runs. The winner, who has made several high scores recently, scored 82, while Richard Dear took five wickets for 34.

University Athletic Club has planned two athletic meetings. On December 11th a Christmas handicap meeting will be held on No. 2 Oval, beginning at 6.30 p.m. An 100 metres handicap and a one-mile handicap will be contested, both open to Newcastle Branch athletes. An entry fee of 30 cents will be charged for each event and $1 for refreshments.

The club will hold a "round campus" cross-country run during the first week of first-term, 1977. The run will be open to students and staff of the University. It is hoped that some sort of inter-faculty competition will be included.

Professor L. Short, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, presented the prizes after the concluding matches in the Inter-Faculty Volleyball Competition, which were played on December 8. The competition, which commenced late in October, attracted mixed and men's teams from across the university. Some of the teams had unorthodox names, for example, the Polyglots, the Sec's Maniacs and the Guinners.

Dip.Eds. won the Mixed Volleyball Competition, defeating Polyglots, and Engineering defeated the Keep-Fit Group in the Men's final. The success of the competition has prompted the Amenities Office to make arrangements for a second series of matches to be played commencing in the second week of First Term 1977.

The performances were about even when the University and College of Advanced Education Staffs played their annual Cricket match at the C.A.E. Oval on December 8. University was the victor on the day scoring 119 runs to C.A.E.'s 92. The best scorers for University were Wayne McKenna (40), Frank Clarke (23) and John Fryer (19). University was clearly the favourite by mid-afternoon when C.A.E.'s 92 was seven for 27. However, Lance Jackaman batted stubbornly to score 36 and to make University work hard for a win.

University, greatly helped by its bowlers, Joe Drzyza taking four for 20, John Chambers two for 10 and Merv Hallinan two for 17, team of students from the University and the C.A.E. played at University Oval on the same day. C.A.E. won by six wickets.

Cricket matches are scheduled to be played between Newcastle and the A.N.U. in Canberra on January 10 and 11. The Australian Squash Association has also organised a representative match at the University of N.S.W. on January 25, 26 and 27. A team from James Cook University and the Universities of Newcastle, Queensland and New England will play a team from the Universities of N.S.W., Sydney and Macquarie and Wollongong Universities.

The University of Newcastle will be host for Inter-Varsity Rugby League and Cross Country Running contests in the May vacation in 1977 and for the Inter-Varsity Squash competition in the August vacation 1977. It is expected that at least 250 competitors will visit the University for the squash competition, which will be played on six courts inside the campus and eight courts outside the campus.

The Auchenmuty Sports Centre will be open on the following days at the times stated:

- January 6, 8.45 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- January 7, 8 and 10, 8.45 a.m. to 10 p.m.
- January 9, 8.45 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- January 11 and 12, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Special bookings outside these hours may be made (by 15 or more people) by contacting the Amenities Office.

SUMMER SCHOOLS AT THREE LOCATIONS

Residential Summer Schools will be held at Morpeth Conference Centre on January 3 to 6, Smiths Lake Research Station from January 9 to 12 and the C.B. Alexander Agricultural College, Tocal, from February 1 to 4.

The programme for the Summer School at Morpeth Conference Centre includes: Human Experiences Workshop, conducted by John Carr, B.A. Practical Art Workshop, tutor Rae Richards. Human Relations Workshop, conducted by Tony Harrison, B.A. Creative Writing Workshop, tutor Roland Robinson. Film Making, conducted by Lionel Doolan.

The closing date for enrolments is December 17. The fee is $55. The Summer School at Smiths Lake Research Station will deal with the Botany, Ecology and Zoology of the Myall and Smiths Lakes Region. The research station is situated on the shores of Smiths Lake some 30 km from Bulahdelah and between the Myall and Wallis Lakes. Accommodation is under canvas in a permanently established camp with covered cooking and eating areas, electricity, septic system, hot showers and a laboratory.

The tutors are Kevin McDonald, Fred Van Gessell and Patti Birch. The closing date for enrolments is December 23 and the fee is $55.

The school at Tocal is designed for country women who will be provided with an opportunity to combine some very useful learning with the introduction to new forms of enjoyment and mental stimulation.

The mornings will provide practical instruction in business matters, the afternoons expert tuition in more recreational activities, and the evenings relaxed entertainment. People will "live in" at the College, one of the most beautiful in the country, a perfect setting for a school of this kind and a complete break from the normal routine. The all-inclusive fee for the school is $65.

Applications for the Morpeth and Smiths Lake Schools should be sent to the WEA, Box 5170B, Post Office, Newcastle West, and applications for the School for Country Women to the Department of Community Programmes.
THE PUBLIC SERVICE ASSOCIATION

The P.S.A. had raised many small issues with the university this year and, in almost every case, both parties had managed to reach a satisfactory solution. The major problem still confronting the association was the unsatisfactory performance of the Technical Staff Promotion Committee and the entire absence of a Promotions and Grading Committee for staff in the non-technical classifications.

Mr Neil Keats, Chairman of the university's Sub-division of the P.S.A., stated this at the annual meeting of members on December 8.

He said the continued application of the principles of wage indexation had resulted in 1976 being an even quieter year for the Management Committee than 1975.

The introduction of flexitime on a trial basis for some of the staff was welcomed and, at a general meeting of the Sub-division after the trial period finished and the opinions of the staff participating in the trial had been collated, a unanimous call was made for the University to extend the scheme to all members of staff wherever possible.

"Following the election of the Wran Labour State Government, the Public Service has received an increase in the limit of the annual leave pay loading to about $300 and the payment of double time after two hours' overtime. The university has been asked to approve these benefits for our members. "Despite the university's fine words about uniformity of conditions at all Universities in N.S.W., which brought about the loss of our own individual Con­ciliation Committee and the establishment of a single Conciliation Committee for all N.S.W. Universities, this university has not offered us three months' long service leave at 10 years which is the standard that applies at Macquarie, Sydney and New England. "In the next few weeks, the P.S.A. should obtain recognition as a Federal Union and will be submitting claims for Federal Awards in due course. The main one to be submitted will be the Conditions of Employment Award and maybe then the Universities will be forced to give us the improved conditions enjoyed by the staff of other Universities."

On a happier note, it has been most refreshing this year to have the active and keen support and drive of a rejuvenated Management Committee. My personal thanks go to them for their enthusiasm, accompanied, I'm sure, by that of all the members of the Sub-division.

"Our thanks also go to John Scullion, our Arbitration Officer, and particularly to our Secretary, Maurie Edmonds, who has continued to serve the Sub-division in an exemplary manner and has made our views and opinions known at the highest level of University Government." The meeting elected the following office-bearers for 1977:

President, Mr Keats
Secretary, Mr Edmonds
Assistant Secretary, Mr J.W.

Management Committee: Miss Anita Robinson, Messrs D. Robertson, D. Kay, B. Kelleher, F. Boden, J. Archer, A. Brady and Giles Martin

Delegates to Government Agencies
Division 1: Maurie Edmonds and Kelleher
Delegates to P.S.A. Annual Conference, Messrs Edmonds and Martin

Returning Officer, Mr P. Muller

LEAD AINSE

Professor E.O. Hall, Head of the Department of Metallurgy, has been elected President of the Australian Institute of Nuclear Science and Engineering for the next two years. The Institute is a co-operative group of representatives from all the Australian universities and members of the Australian Atomic Energy Commission. It exists primarily to facilitate access to the unique research facilities at the Commission's Research Establishment at Lucas Heights, especially the two research reactors and the particle accelerator. The Institute also makes a series of research grants annually to university research workers, both for equipment and for travel to Lucas Heights.

Professor Hall has represented the University of Newcastle on the Institute Council since 1965 and was Vice-President in the period 1971-74. He rejoined the Institute on his return from his secondment to the Universities' Commission in Canberra in August this year.

SUNDAY NIGHT AT THE OPERA

Five great operas on film will be presented in the Arts/Drama Theatre at the university on Sunday evenings from February 6 at 7 p.m. Story summaries and notes on each opera will be posted to those who enrol and there will be an opportunity to discuss each film over a glass of wine in the adjoining Staff House.

The programme is:

February 6, "Fidelio" Beethoven; February 13, "The Magic Flute" Mozart; February 20, "Tosca" and "The Carpenter" Lortzing; February 27, "The Freesooter" Weber; March 5, "Rosenkavalier" Strauss.

These magnificent films are made available by the German Embassy; they feature the Hamburg Opera Company.

Course Fee: $6. Further details from Community Programmes, University of Newcastle, Tel. 68 5600.
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Tyrrell's Tawny Port The price, $30 a dozen, includes a complete written appraisal of the selection by the wine-maker, and free delivery in the Newcastle area. Delivery to Newcastle will be Free on Board, in accordance with your instructions. You pay freight upon delivery. Orders should be placed direct with the Vineyards. Delivery should be within three weeks of receipt of order.

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Information and full details may be obtained from the Personnel Department, Ext. 518 or 350.

RESIGNATIONS

Mrs G. McKerihan, Research Assistant with the University Counselling Service and Mr M.J. Tippett, Senior Tutor in Commerce, will resign on December 24 and 31 respectively.

A NEW APPROACH TO LONG SERVICE

Informality was the keynote on November 30, when Bob Richardson was deceptively led to the Great Hall for a presentation. Peter Myors handed Bob a bound volume of documents representing milestones (not millstones) in his life at the University. Bob had completed 10 years' service. It was pleasing to see that a copy of his employment application, an accident report following a lively inter-office volleyball match and a photographic reminder of accounting machine staff in pre-computer days had been included. A wedding picture reminded him of the girl at home who balances the budget. The "This is Your Life" musical theme filled emotionally charged pauses. An iced cake and musical presentation by duo pianists Tom Pavey and George Walker put the small but loyal group in party mood. Certainly, there are others with the same length of service, or even longer service, but are other employees aware of this? Should they be? Should "LS" be recognised? Those who attended had asked themselves these questions many times. No-one really knows why Bob Richardson was selected on this occasion as Wal Bates commenced the same day as Bob. Chins up fellas and girls and to all those with 10 years' service - or more - who wait silently in the wings - many happy returns of the blessed event. You deserve a University medal for non-academic achievement. 

G.W. WALKER

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1973 Renault 12 TL sedan, 41,000 miles, $2,500 o.n.o. Available in February. Tel. Ext. 305 or 26 1518.

1971 Falcon station sedan, 55,000 miles, radial tyres, regularly rust-proofed, $2,100 o.n.o. Available late January. Tel. Ext. 305 or 26 1518.

Six Marlin life jackets (L, M, XS, X5, X35), $15 each; one XS Alsafe life jacket, $5 or offer for lot. Tel. Ext. 305 or 26 1518.

Three-bedroom home in Shortland, lounge, dining, kitchen (dishwasher), sunroom, weatherboard/tile construction, freshly painted and includes bed carpet, venetians, drapes, oil heater and established lawns and gardens. Contact Ext. 270.

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